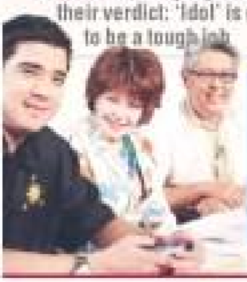
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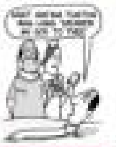
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From Mozart to Marley: Surgery gets a soundtrack

SOUL PO... SUTURE, POD. Like most of modern life, surgery has acquired a soundtrack, whether Sinatra or Vivaldi, Mozart or Bob Marley, "Let It Be" or the Beatles. Surgeons say it relaxes them, focuses their atten-

FROM MOZART A2



Gov't must pay Leo's kin

SC 'error' on Echegaray execution sparks call for compensation

By Juliet Labog-Javellana and Armand Nocum

FOR PLAYING GOD, the government must pay.

In what could be the most expensive "I am sorry" gesture the government could make, Senate Minority Leader and anti-death penalty advocate Aquilino Pimentel Jr. yesterday suggested an amount of between P5 million and P10 million as compensation to the family of Leo Echegaray for his "wrongful death."

Justice Secretary Raul Gonzalez appeared to agree but mentioned no specific amount.

"The family of Echegaray may be entitled to compensation," Gonzalez said. But he added the matter should be studied carefully lest the families of six other convicts who were put to death also seek compensation.

"They may be considered to be a victim of wrongful violence ... If you consider the fact that no less than the Chief Justice talks about that, boy! That carries a lot of marbles ... and you cannot see the CJ speaking out of his hat," Gonzalez said.

Pimentel and Gonzalez were reacting to a statement by Chief Justice Artemio Panganiban, who said in a recent speech before members of the Free Legal Assistance Group that Echegaray might have been the victim of an "erroneous execution."

Echegaray was executed by lethal injection in 1999 after the Supreme Court affirmed his death sentence. He had been convicted of raping the 10-year-old daughter of his common-law wife.

He was one of seven people convicted of heinous crimes and executed under the revived death penalty law, which Congress has decided to scrap.

Pimentel and Sen. Edgardo Angara said in interviews that there should be a law granting compensation to families of people who suffer wrongful deaths at the hands of the state or its agents.

Pimentel said he planned to file such a bill because the Philippines did not have such a law. He said there could even be a specific measure for the grant of monetary compensation to Echegaray's family.

"If Echegaray's was really a

GOV'T A4



RP BASH IN BIG APPLE: New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg (second from right) hailed the contribution of Fil-Ams to the United States in his message during the annual Philippine Independence Day parade held last Sunday along Madison Avenue in Manhattan. From left are Ambassador Lauro L. Baja, the Philippines' permanent representative to the United Nations; Consul General Cecilia Rebong; Isagani Pastrellano, chair, Philippine Independence Day Committee, and Dan de Guzman, grand marshal of this year's parade.

NYC mayor joins Filipinos in early Freedom Day fete

By Rita Villadiego
Contributor

NEW YORK CITY—A SEA OF FILIPINOS marked the 108th Philippine Independence Day celebration here on June 4.

It was a great day for members of more than 138 Filipino organizations who flocked to Madison Avenue to send a message of unity, pride and love of country.

The festival, which was attended by New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, is believed to be the largest celebration of Philippine Independence outside the Philippines.

And the scene was memorable, with floats bearing beauty queens and red, white and blue balloons moving along, young Filipino-Americans dancing with wreaths of flowers, and marching music blaring.

All these as the crowd cheered wildly, the smell of barbecue filled the air, and New

NYC MAYOR A6

Unsung hero of independence: Jose Rizal's big brother Paciano

By Chris Antonette Piedad-Pugay
National Historical Institute

THE PHILIPPINES IS A CRADLE OF heroes—great men and women, many of whom are immortalized, and a number of them unrecognized and unsung.

One of the latter was Paciano Rizal, a general of the Philippine Revolution who struggled and sacrificed for both family and country, but who, more often than not, is identified in history books only as the older brother of national hero Jose "Pepe" Rizal.

Paciano's own contribution to the nation may not be as celebrated as that of his brother, but his influence on the latter was noteworthy. He served not only as a lighthouse to Pepe during rough times but also took on the necessary responsibilities (including himself) to allow the future hero to devote his time to the cause of the motherland.

It may be assumed that without Paciano, there would have been no Jose Rizal.

UNSUNG A6



BEAUTY ON THE ROCKS: A river snakes between two cliffs which is just one entrancing scene found in Sagada, Mountain Province. The cleavage in the radio affords a good view of the modern infrastructure built to facilitate travel to Sagada which is a most favored destination for local and foreign nature lovers.



SLEEPING ON THE JOB? That President Arroyo can't be accused of doing. For sure, she's been a tireless, sleepless Chief Executive night and day. But she has her moments when she can't suppress a yawn as she stands as a principal sponsor at the wedding of Michael de la Cruz and Ellen Pilar Sebastian, who are both lawyers, at St. Joseph Parish Church in Zamboanga City on Saturday.

'Why now? Will it bring him back?'

By Norman Bordadora and Jerome Aning

LIFE HAS MOVED ON FOR SOME OF the key players in the Leo Echegaray tragedy. Even the 10-year-old girl he was convicted of raping has now built a family of her own. Why bring back the past?

Seven years after the house painter Echegaray became the first man in the Philippines in a long while to be executed by lethal injection, why did Chief Justice Artemio Panganiban have to raise the issue all over again?

"Why? Will it change anything? Will they be able to bring him back?" the dead man's sister, Leonor Echegaray, said in an interview with the Inquirer yesterday at her home in Barangay San Antonio, Quezon City.

Leonor was reacting to Panganiban's statement that Echegaray's execution in 1999 might have been the result of a "judicial error."

Leonor said Echegaray's eight surviving siblings would discuss among themselves what steps to take in the wake of Panganiban's remarks that Leo could have gotten life imprisonment instead of the irreversible penalty of death via a cocktail of lethal fluids.

With Panganiban's admission serving no practical purpose in their lives, Leonor said it would have been better had it not been made at all.

"They should not have brought it up after all these years," she said. "We've suffered enough. Whenever the name Echegaray is mentioned, people laugh behind our backs," she said, teary eyed.

Leonor was referring to the stigma that was attached to the family by the rape case, which resulted in her brother also becoming the first person to be

WHY? A6

WEATHER FORECAST

Second FRONTPAGE

Bulusan rumblings getting stronger

By Mario Jesus Orbeta, Bobby Labalan and Ephraim Aguilar
PDI Southern Luzon Bureau

SORSOGON CITY—BULUSAN VOLCANO EXPLODED TWICE more early yesterday, spewing columns of ash and steam at least one kilometer into the pre-dawn sky and blanketing at least five villages with up to one-and-a-half inches of ash, officials said.

Most affected places

8,000 masks distributed

Longer preparation time

No significant development



MORNING AFTER.

Palace: Another excuse to Cha-cha

THE PUSH TO CHA-CHA JUST WON'T go away.



Antiterror units called in to hunt bombing suspects

By Gil C. Cabacungan Jr.

MALACAÑANG YESTERDAY ORDERED THE government's antiterror units to go after the perpetrators of the bomb attacks in Batangas and Pampanga that nearly killed a provincial governor and targeted a key supporter of President Macapagal-Arroyo.





CORY IN MACAU. Former President Corazon Aquino recently attended the annual celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima in Macau. Chief Executive Edmund Ho received Aquino at his official residence and gave her a souvenir of Macau's famous landmark, the Ruins of the Church of St. Paul.

Subic-Clark road 1/3 complete

Gov't to address flooding on Boracay

'Gods of Padre Faura not infallible after all'

Gov't must pay Leo's relatives

Why now? Will it bring ...

Reyes: RP welfare uppermost in ruling

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Firm doing double duty faces tax rap

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Tribe proves you're never too old to learn

PUERTO PRINCESA CITY—THERE IS NO equivalent for the saying "Better late than never" in the Binatak dialect of the Batak tribe of Palawan.



BATAK mother and child await treatment at the schoolhouse cum health center.

Batak, both young and old, have been looking forward to the opening of school, says their chief Marcus Madamay



THE BATAK are a vanishing tribe who are officially encouraged to and rewarded for making babies.

We could've used gov't help, says Mt. Everest conqueror

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Fees

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Award

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Unsung hero of independence: Jose Rizal's big brother Paciano



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100 years

From Mercado to Rizal

Helping the struggle

Persecution

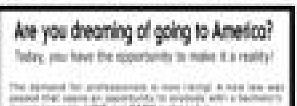
Revolutionary leader

From Mozart to Marley ...

Topic for 50 years

Timing critical

System of music choice



Fate of AFP unit protecting seat of power hangs

By Dona Z. Pazzibugan

Solon slams oil deal with Malaysian firm

Questions

41M barrels of oil

Agreement

Project details

Comelec names LP mediator

RP pushes for new definition of 'work'

Desirable work

Acknowledge biases

Call center agents

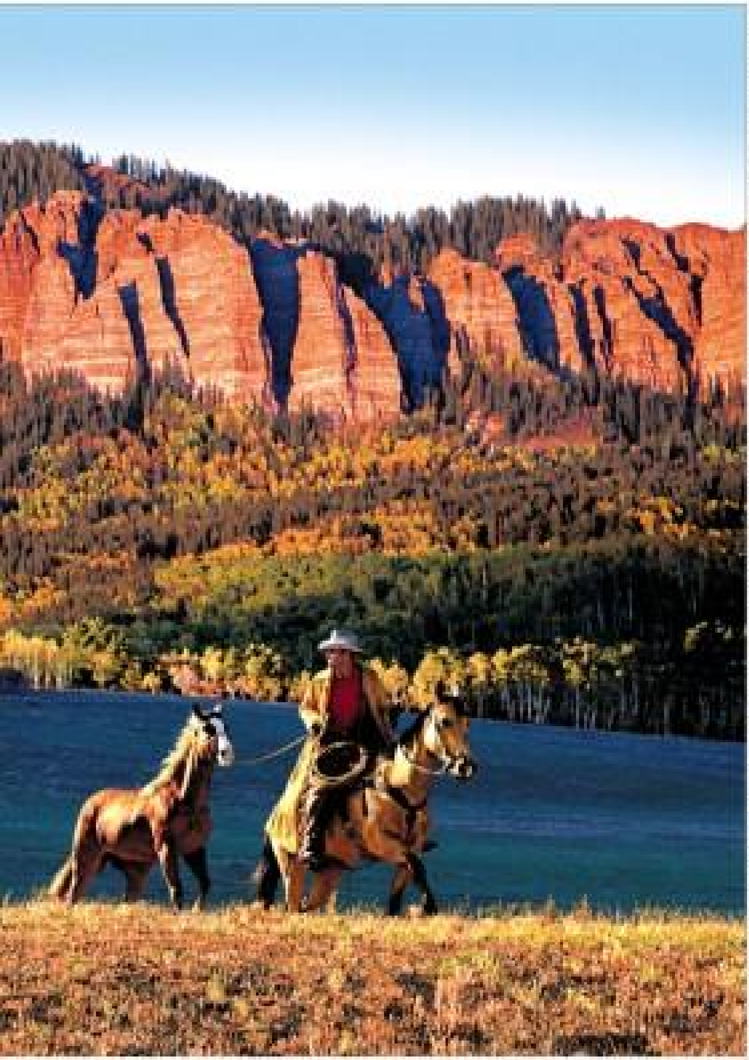
No work for kids

J. T. Abaño; 87

THE DAILY GOSPEL



Think twice about working abroad, bishops warn Pinoys



P8-B victims' fund intact, says solon

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OPINION

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Slaying a myth

EDITORIAL

THE KILLING LAST WEEK OF TERRORIST LEADER Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, the Jordanian jihadist behind many abductions and suicide bombings in strife-torn Iraq, is certainly a military feat of a high order. But it is not—and cannot be—the political and historic milestone the Bush administration would like to think it is.

The myth of al-Zarqawi as the leader of the anti-American insurgency in Iraq, a foreigner who symbolized al-Qaida's engagement in the country, was exactly that: a myth. And it was a myth created, in large part, by the American government he had sworn to fight.

It is true that he had taken part in or masterminded the kidnapping of foreign nationals in post-Saddam Iraq; it is believed—and US officials have repeatedly said—that he is responsible for the death of dozens in Iraq; it is likely that he had even personally beheaded two American hostages.

But while he served as a symbol of violent resistance to American occupation, he was not, and never was, its leader. As a must-read report (already available online) in next month's Atlantic Monthly magazine also reveals, he was not—and never was—Osama bin Laden's deputy in Iraq either.

Only two months ago, the Washington Post revealed that the Pentagon had been pursuing a strategy to inflate al-Zarqawi's reputation. The lead paragraph in that story read: "The US military is conducting a propaganda campaign to magnify the role of the leader of [al-Qaida] in Iraq, according to internal military documents and officers familiar with the program. The effort has raised his profile in a way that some military intelligence officials believe may have overstated his importance and helped the Bush administration tie the war to the organization responsible for the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks."

How did he "tie the war" [the invasion of Iraq] to Osama? The Atlantic Monthly report duly notes one example: "One can only imagine how astonished al-Zarqawi must have been when [US Secretary of State] Colin Powell named him [in February 2003] as the crucial link between [al-Qaida] and Saddam Hussein's regime. He was not even officially a part of [al-Qaida], and ever since he had left Afghanistan, his links had been not to Iraq but to Iran."

But making him out to be more than he really was did not only help the White House make that tenuous connection between Osama and Saddam; it also helped US forces meet operational objectives in post-invasion Iraq.

The Post story notes: "The documents state that the US campaign aims to turn Iraqis against Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, a Jordanian, by playing on their perceived dislike of foreigners. US authorities claim some success with that effort, noting that some tribal Iraqi insurgents have attacked Zarqawi loyalists."

One of the documents obtained by the Post, the transcript of a meeting, quotes one key military intelligence officer telling Army officials: "Our own focus on Zarqawi has enlarged his caricature, if you will—made him more important than he really is, in some ways."

They certainly did. Judging from the iconic economics of reward money, al-Zarqawi was deemed by the US government equal in importance to Osama himself; he, too, had a $25-million bounty on his head.

But that same intelligence official quoted in the Post also described al-Zarqawi's operation as relatively small-scale, "a very small part of the actual numbers." On the other hand, Osama, who actually masterminded the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, continues to inspire anti-American, anti-Western violence around the world. He has invented something new: franchise terrorism. His terrible network is impossibly wide, reaching even the hills of Basilan, the streets of Toronto—or the alleys of Baghdad. In fact, it was in the cities of Iraq that al-Zarqawi found his calling: as a franchisee terrorist.

Will al-Zarqawi's death (the US air strike also killed a woman and child, among others) lead to the collapse of the insurgency in Iraq? The short answer is "No." But, perhaps, now that he's dead, the White House will finally be forced to face reality in Iraq, not myth.



Congratulations to the Araullo High School

SEPARATE OPINION



Isagani A. Cruz

I HAVE CORRESPONDED WITH CONSUELO D. Diaz on various civic and political matters over the years although I have never met her. Last January, she sent me an article she had written that expressed her continued zest for life upon reaching the ripe age of 89. She's one optimistic lady who could serve as an excellent model for the younger generation uninvolved in public affairs.

Recently she sent me a letter inviting my wife and me to the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Araullo High School, of which she is an alumna. The party was held last Friday evening at the Manila Hotel. I had pleaded earlier to express my regrets because of my classes in the school where I am teaching. But to belatedly share in the festivities, I will now say a little about her high school for the benefit of its alumni and the information of the public.

The Araullo High School is the former Manila High School that was established on June 11, 1906. [illegible]

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And counting ...

MOMENTS



Fr. Jerry M. Orbos, SVD

TEACHER: WHAT COMES AFTER THE NUMBER 8?

Boy: Number 9, Ma'am.

Teacher: What comes after number 9?

Boy: Number 10, Ma'am.

Teacher: Wow! Who taught you how to count?

Boy: My father, Ma'am.

Teacher: Okay, what comes after number 10?

Boy: Jack Ma'am, then Queen, then King!

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Today is the Solemnity of the Most Blessed Trinity. [illegible]

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A moment with the Lord:

Lord, thank you for [illegible] Amen.

Family and flag

REVEILLE



Ramon J. Farolan

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From 'Il Mare' to 'Lake House'

AT LARGE



Rina Jimenez-David

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What makes artists 'national'

PUBLIC LIVES



Randy David

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Holding out for a hero

REBEL WITHOUT A CLUE



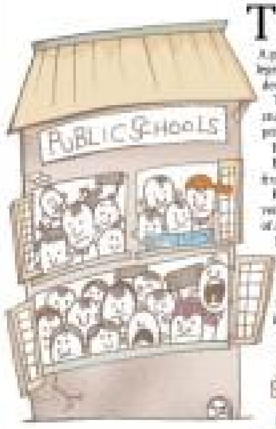
Patricia Evangelista

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TALK of the TOWN

Editor: Juan V. Sarmiento Jr.

Private schools losing students



THE NUMBERS TELL THE STORY. SINCE THE 1980s, STUDENTS HAVE BEEN transferring to public schools in droves, leaving private schools with a declining share of the total enrollment.

A generation or so ago, private schools in the country accounted for 90 percent of college students, 60 percent of high school students and 20 percent of elementary students, according to the Catholic Educational Association of the Philippines.

Today, less than 70 percent of college students, 20 percent of high school students and less than 10 percent of elementary students are enrolled in private schools.

How did this happen?

Economics is the main driving force behind the massive "migration" of students from private to public schools.

Private education now costs an arm and a leg. Tuition at the Ateneo de Manila University for an academic year was P82,940 as of May. It was P99,846 at the University of Asia and the Pacific, and P91,260 to P130,936 at De La Salle University.

By contrast, the Polytechnic University of the Philippines, a government school, charges only P378 (P12 a unit), according to data gathered by PDI Research.

No wonder, a growing number of middle-class families whose incomes cannot keep up with the rising cost of living are no longer sending their kids to private schools.





Private schools need subsidy

By Mariano U. Piamonte Jr.

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Free high school

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Survival

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Enrollment in public and private schools

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Education voucher system

By Alcuin Papa

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Less expensive

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Below poverty line

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Country spending less on education

By Ricky Carandang

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Massive migration

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Spending less

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Middle class

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Across the NATION

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Kin of slain activists seek justice

By Tonette Orejas
PDI Central Luzon Desk

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO—SINCE ASSASSINS killed her husband, Armando, in October last year, Jocelyn Javier has mostly mourned by herself.



GROUNDED MOTORBIKES

Rise in vigilante killings feared after death penalty abolition

Ambivalent

Program gives scholarship to slain soldiers

Free state college opens in Batangas

INQUIRER Mindanao

DIVING INTO HISTORY

The Seawolf and the Sagami Maru

THE PHILIPPINES IS A WRECK diver's and history buff's dream.

Hunter and hunted

Lost at sea



THE USS Seawolf is shown docked after it was launched in 1939.

Baguio starts fund drive to preserve original RP flag



11 environment employees in GenSan City suspended

Davao farmer leader's slay case still unsolved, cops say



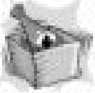
Fishkill in Taal villages destroys ₱2.75-M tilapia

DAR speeds up land reform in Negros Occidental

ROUNDUP

1 cop slain in shootout

No bomb at capitol



3 men killed over land

Banaue school robbed

Toxic veggie kills 1

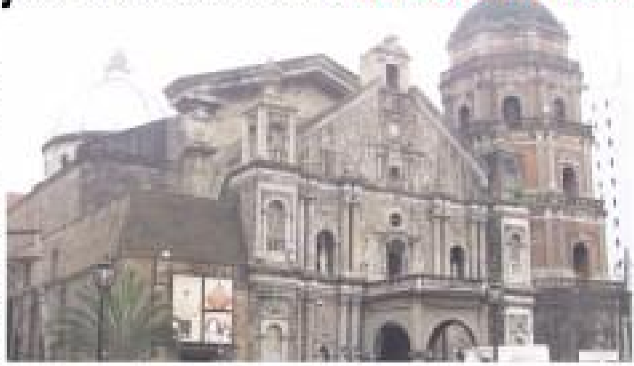
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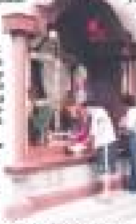
A magical, mystical tour of Old Manila

Guided walks with lingering views of city's cultural icons, and food sampling besides

By Margaux C. Ortiz



THE FIRST stop on the tour: the Binondo Church.



A CHINESE Catholic altar by the side of the road in Chinatown, Binondo.

Change in perception

Artistic delights

History 101

Four choices



THE GATEWAY to Manila Chinatown.



This 'streetwalker' is proud of what he does

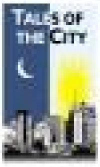
Tour guide Ivan ManDy's continuing love affair with the city of his affections



'Quickie, short-time tour'

Hooked on history

Not a mall rat



From hobby to job

Tours for all ages

Scolded by the PSG

Well-fed mind and soul

MetroBriefs

Dry Parañaque

3 suspects nabbed

A magical, mystical tour of Old Manila

Food trip





Historical sites

Pinoy, not Chinoy



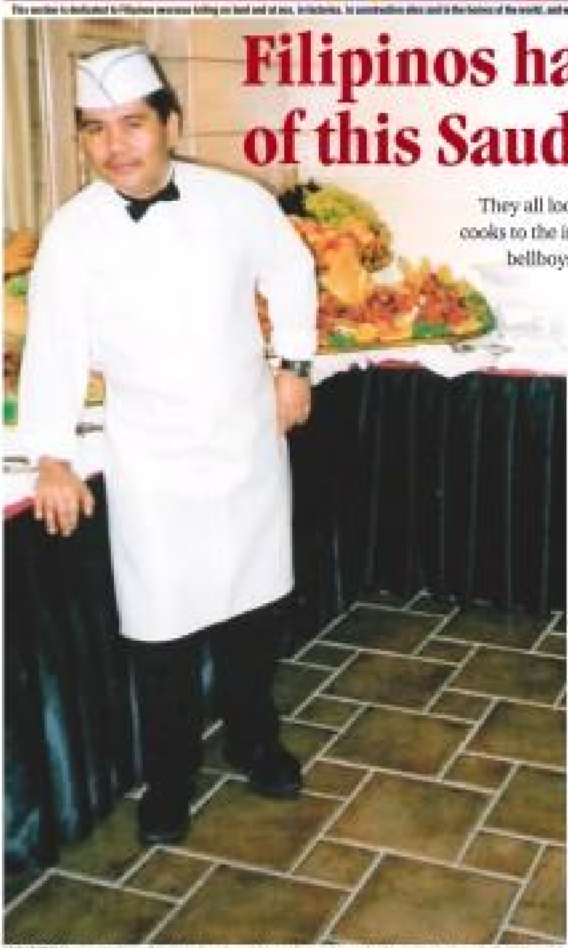


OTHER stops in the tour: The Chinese cemetery ... and a Buddhist Temple.

GLOBAL Pinoy

Filipinos have the run of this Saudi hotel

They all look familiar, from the cooks to the interior designer to the bellboys to the manager



JOEY DIZON has sent his four children to college through his earnings as a bartender, then waiter, and now chef in Al-Hammad Hotel. He is saving up to put up a burger machine in Manila.



WELCOME to Al-Hammad Hotel in Al-Khobar, kingdom of overseas Filipino culinary and tourism workers.

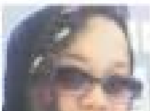
By Fe B. Zamora

Greatest achievement

Heart-to-heart talk

What to wear in Riyadh

By Fe B. Zamora



AN ABAYA covers the whole body.

Like a puppy

Keep distance from males

Three major reasons why OFWs opened world for RP

By Aurelio R. Montinola III

Zobel's 'brain gain'



GOOD MANNERS AND PROPER CONDUCT For those working or going to work in Hong Kong, Japan, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Italy and the United Kingdom, here is a set of handbooks to avoid getting into trouble.

PINOY OVERSEAS GUIDE

Never insult the king and other tips

By Kate Pedroso and Kenneth M. del Rosario

ASIDE FROM WORK-RELATED STRESS BROUGHT about by working in foreign land miles away from family and loved ones, overseas Filipino workers also have to face culture shock head-on as soon as they step on a foreign soil.

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Moving around

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Getting along with the locals

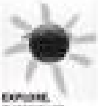
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How to get along with employers

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DOT hopes 'they shall return'

By Linda B. Bolido



EXPLORE, EXPERIENCE, RETURN: The logo is an invitation for the overseas Filipinos.

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Long-term investments

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Alternative vacation spots

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Indonesians set to overtake Pinays in Hong Kong

By Isabel T. Escoda

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Expats and OFWs

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Suicides and abuses

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Exporting women

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Family loses 6 members in Israeli Gaza shelling



Hamas ends ceasefire with rockets

Blind poet designs 'seeing machine'

Suu Kyi hospitalized



US teen who tried to see man from Jericho returns





IT'S HOT! WHO CARES WHAT CITY HALL THINKS!

NY mayor's takeover of school system praised, assailed

The WORLD



HOT AND FURIOUS

Aussie peacekeepers ready to disarm rebs

Al-Zarqawi survived bomb attack

Terrorist tried to escape and later died of his wounds, US says

BAGHDAD, IRAQ—ABU MUSAB AL-ZARQAWI could barely speak, but he struggled and tried to get away from American soldiers as he lay dying on a stretcher in the ruins of his hideout.



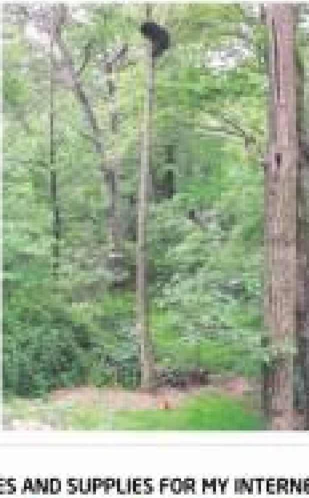
Al-Qaida No. 2 lauds al-Zarqawi

N. Zealand deports man linked to 9/11 terror attacker



REALLY FIRST CLASS

Scaredy-cat bear treed

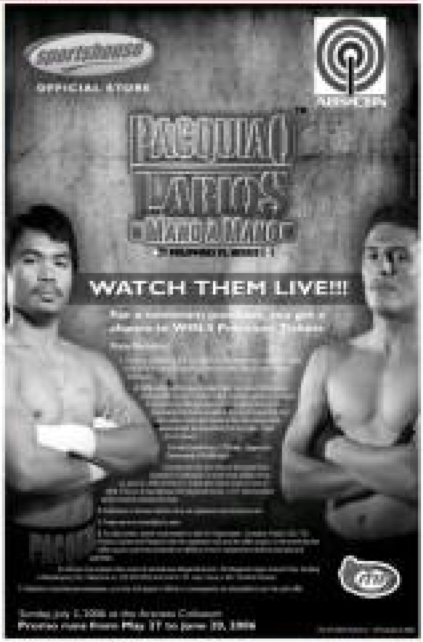




Sunday SPORTS

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What's Inside



Harbour Centre rips Toyota, levels series

By Jasmine W. Payo

IT WAS THE SAME SCENARIO BUT ROLES WERE reversed this time.

The Harbour Centre Portmasters, [illegible], overwhelmed the Toyota Otis Sparks, 78-61, to level the best-of-five PBL Unity Cup title series at 1-1 yesterday at the Olivarez Sports Center in Parañaque.

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This time, the Sparks could hit only 29 percent of their shots.

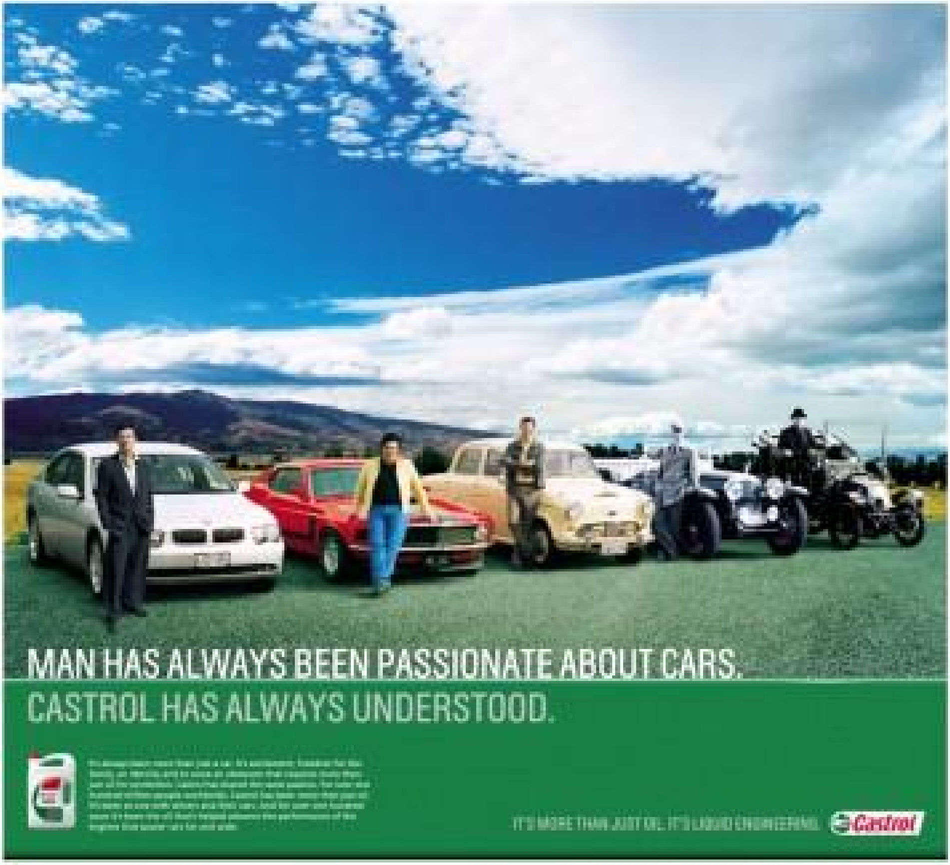
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The scores:

HARBOUR CENTRE 78 — [illegible]

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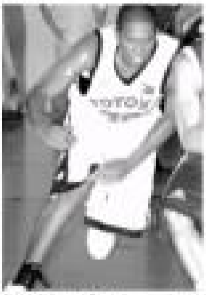
Alaska seeks clincher; Kings, Bulls break tie



Belmont Stakes up

M. Lhuillier eyes sweep of PacMan 5

Devance is Unity Cup MVP



DEVANCE: Tower of power

San Andres shares Endurocross glory



Cambel rules Rotary golfest

Fiba never suspended BAP

SPECTATOR



Al S. Mendoza

Explorers subdue Warriors, gain outright semis seat

Ex-PFF head now working on SEC issue



Germans rip Costa Rica XI

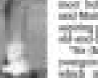
Ecuador trounces Poland, 2-0

Togo coach quits over pay dispute



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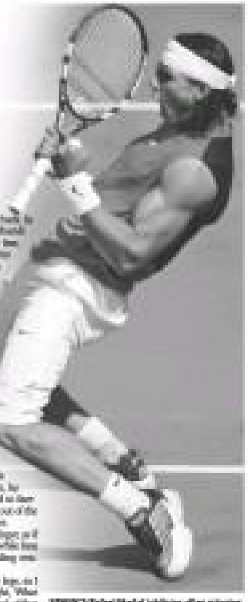
Caoili dubbed Kournikova of chess



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DREAM SUNDAY SHOWDOWN

Federer, Nadal dispute French Open crown



PARIS—AWFUL AT THE START, MASTERFUL ENOUGH Later to produce shots that must be seen to be believed, Roger Federer leaned back in his sideline seat and exhaled.

Tarver wants a little respect



After shabby opener, Mavs, Heat promise better Game Two



NBA Finals viewing at Robinson's



Delasin takes clubhouse lead of LPGA championship

B. Pacquiao risks title vs Kelley today



Torre bows to Akobian in round 7

Pantua leads Copa winners

Garcia heads chess team to Jakarta



SPORTSWATCH



Murder at the 'Dome

COMMENTARY

Motocross great Lopez dies



Duncil ready for UAAP wars

Sunday SPORTS



Ramirez gets full backing of PSC board



RAMIREZ

Orcollo rips ex-US Open titlist Deuel

Del Rosario, Tee up in ladies all-events





Stockinger takes kart pole

Valle gets IPT card in Washington

ENTERTAINMENT

Editor: Bravo [illegible] Velarde

Mr. C, 'Idol' judge: Tough job



RYAN Cayabyab, right, with fellow judges Pilita Corrales and Francis M. He says their first day with the aspirants was filled with pleading and weeping. The second was marked by "intense reactions" that [illegible]

By Marinel R. Cruz

RYAN CAYABYAB, on his first close encounter with "Philippine Idol" aspirants on Thursday, June 8 (sent as a text message to friends):

"First day at 'Philippine Idol' auditions done. I thought I was tough enough. Ms. Giti so emotionally drained having to say no to all the pleading, pleading and crying, crying. [illegible] This is not fun anymore. [illegible] But wait, nobody during [illegible] Our country is truly blessed. And so am I, to see such [illegible] talent parading in front of me. [illegible] the best talent [illegible] Today (June 9) is another day of pleading and crying. Just feeling blessed. Tough job."



* * *

•Ryan Agoncillo was announced the host of "Philippine Idol."

•The mother of an aspirant was rushed to the hospital when her daughter failed the audition.

•Two contestants had been on Thursday so they were instructed by judges Ryan Cayabyab, Pilita Corrales and Francis Magalona to come back the next day. Both went through to the next round.

•A grandson of comedy king Dolphy, a former Star Records artist, and two finalists on "Star in a Million"—a talent search on Channel 2—all brought home highly coveted Golden Tickets yesterday.

These were just some of the scenes at the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC) in Pasay City during the judging for the first season of the reality talent search on ABC-5.

At the time of [illegible] more than 60 Golden Tickets were handed out, exceeding the allotted 50 for Luzon. Twenty-five contestants are expected from the Visayas and 25 more from Mindanao, said Trevi Sandan, head of Creative and Entertainment Production.

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8 ALL ABOUT LOVE
9 MANAY PO
10 THE BENCHWARMERS

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8 ALL ABOUT LOVE

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1 ALL ABOUT LOVE
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3 RESERVE
4 RESERVE

PIONEER

1 THE INSIDE MAN
2 CARS
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4 THE OMEN



STA. ROSA

1 CARS
2 ALL ABOUT LOVE
3 THE DA VINCI CODE
4 MANAY PO
5 AQUAMARINE / X-MEN 3

LIPA

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2 ALL ABOUT LOVE
3 SILENT HILL
4 MANAY PO
5 X-MEN 3

DASMARIÑAS

1 MANAY PO
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4 ALL ABOUT LOVE
5 AQUAMARINE

ANGELES

1 THE OMEN
2 ALL ABOUT LOVE
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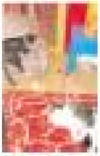
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6 REINCARNATION



The Perfect Gift All Year Round

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CHEER FACTOR



Claws ... out!

LOS ANGELES — [illegible]

Fur homes

[illegible]

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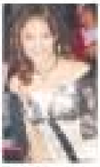




MYX and match



Champs and rock bands reign supreme in the video awards





Mr. C, 'Idol' judge: Tough job











Roundup

Historic telecast

Dream telecast

Russian festival

Best Inspirational

A 'Tatts' day

Moonrise fest deadline

Peer-to-peer music

Top, Barbie, carry on

SPIN CITY

Two artists sing their hearts out, surrounded by friends

By Pocholo Concepcion

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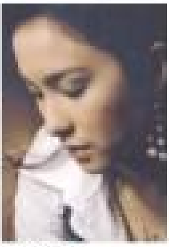
TOP SUZARA, SHOULD BE thankful for the conflicts that forced him to quit his former band Freestyle. Now he has his own self-produced album, "Carry On" (Universal), recorded with a couple of musician friends who believe he deserves the break. [illegible]

Sounds like ...

[illegible]



TOP Suzara



BARBIE Almalbis



SESSION Road



FRA!

[illegible]

Welcome Fra!

[illegible]

sessiOn Road

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Exciting dance finals coming up

VIEWFINDER

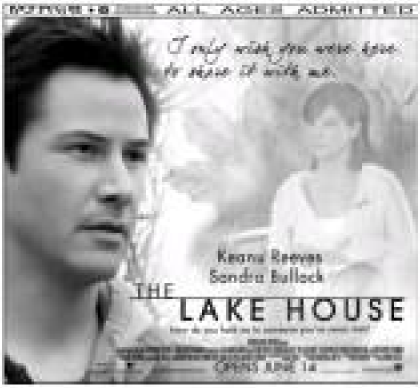


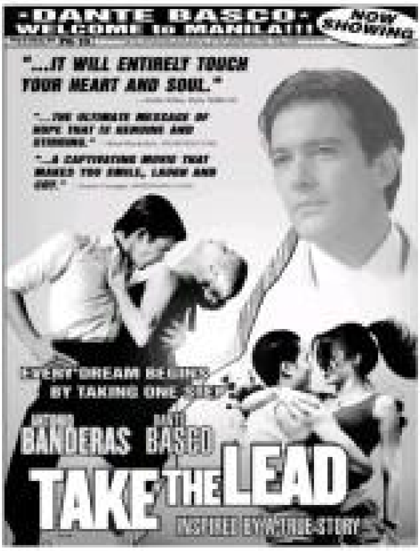
Nestor U. Torre

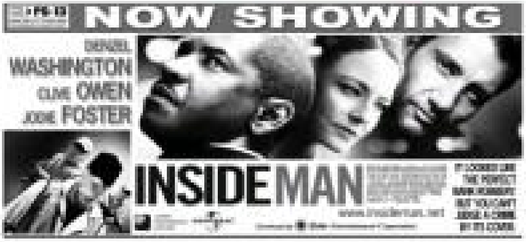
Celebs who compete in these tilts should be good dancers to begin with

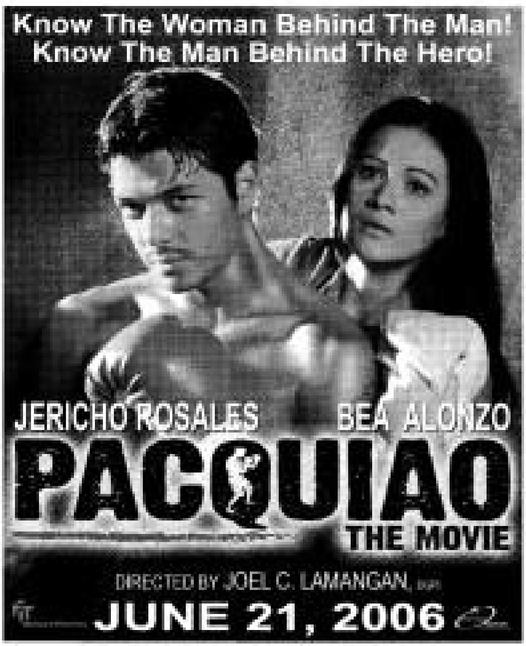


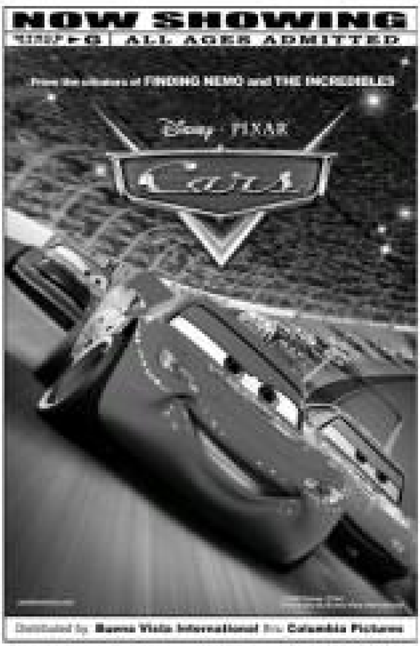
MTV Youth Fair

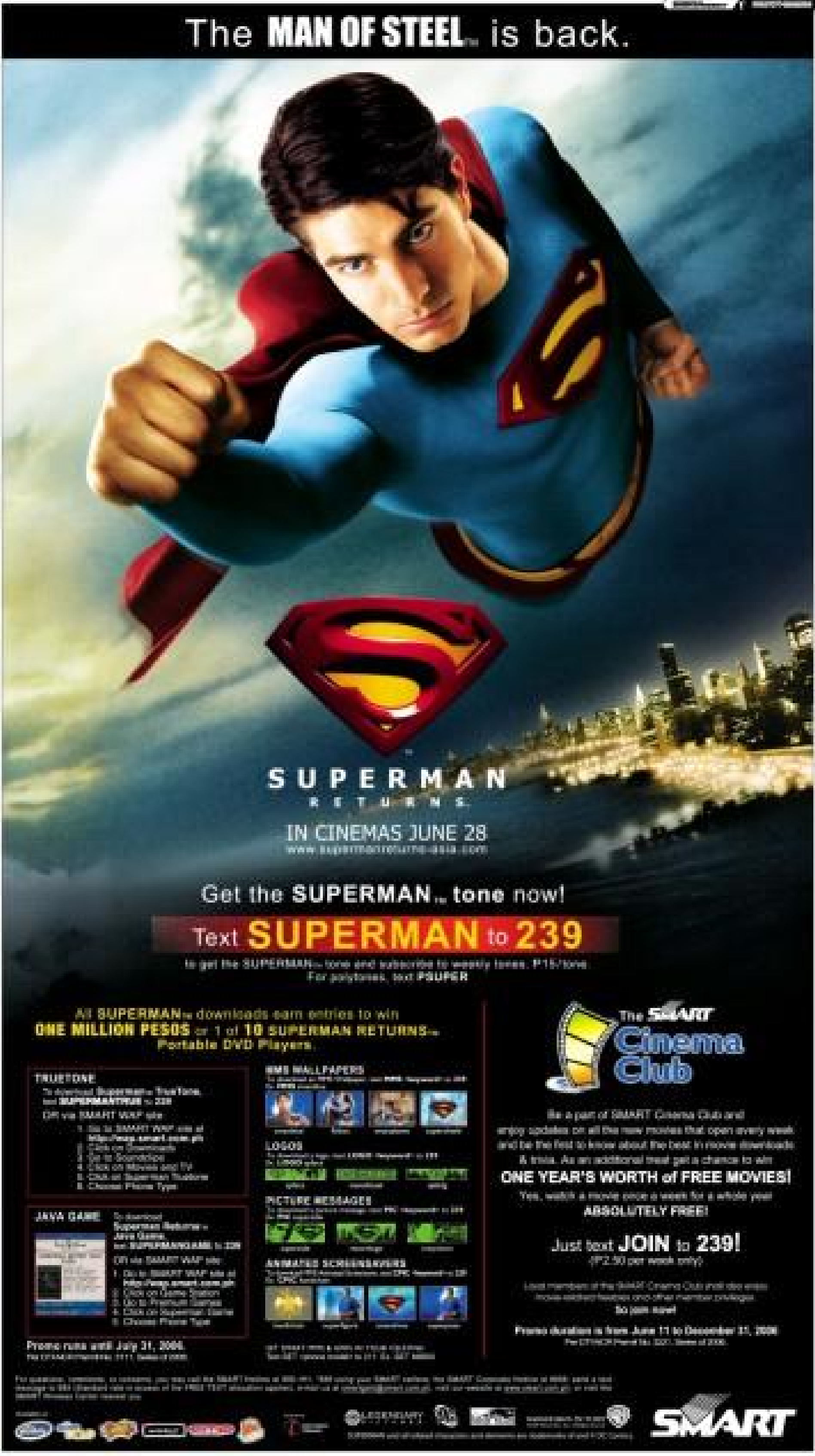












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Padilla, Padilla!

Zsazsa and Rustom land iconic roles in 'Zaturnnah' movie

UNCLE Rustom plays Ada, Zsazsa's gay beautician alter ego.

By Bayani San Diego Jr.

THERE ARE two Padillas in the movie version of Carlo Vergara's comic book, "Ang Kagila-gilalas na Pakikipagsapalaran ni Zsazsa Zaturnnah"—one of the 10 approved entries for the Metro Manila Film Festival.

Regal Entertainment producer Lily Monteverde confirmed with Inquirer Entertainment that Rustom Padilla had been tapped to play Ada, the man-hating gay beautician who transforms into Zaturnnah, the "powerful, voluptuous and red-haired" superheroine to be portrayed by Zsazsa Padilla.

"As of now, only Rustom and Zsazsa have been cast for now," director Joel Lamangan said.

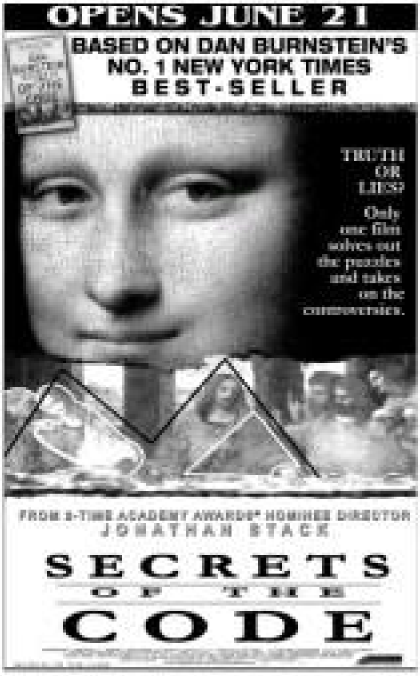
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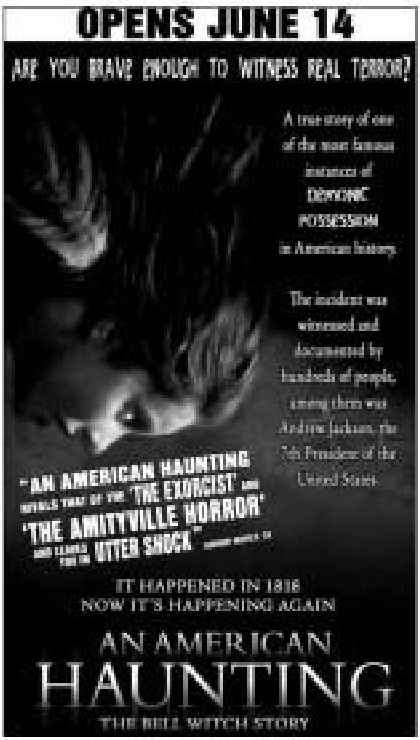
'The Omen': Hell hath some

REVIEW









Good 'buyas'

FEEDBACK

Agree with MJT

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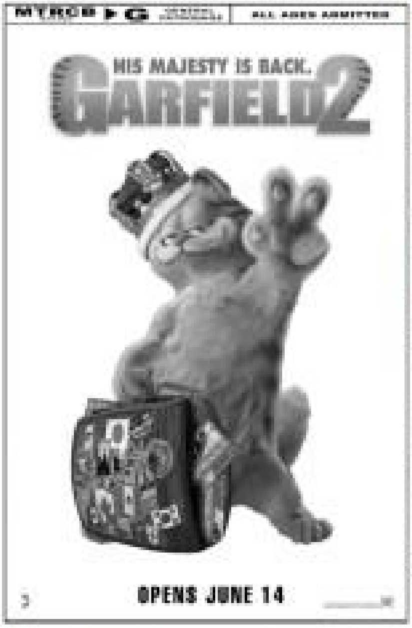




RUSHES

Black Eyed 'balut'

Anything but



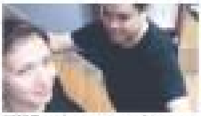


'Amazing Dare'



No wedding plans

Padilla, Padilla!





ENTERTAINMENT



The problem with being Lindsay Lohan

ONLY IN HOLLYWOOD



Ruben V. Nepales

LOS ANGELES—Poor Lindsay Lohan has been the target of unsavory rumors, from claims that she has a drug abuse problem to having an eating disorder.



LINDSAY plays Meryl Streep's daughter in Robert Altman's latest.



Sister Sledge at Big Dome July 1

SHOW TIME

NEARLY THREE DECADES SINCE ITS RELEASE, Sister Sledge's "We Are Family" continues to enjoy air play in the Philippines. It has become an anthem for women's groups as well as gatherings with unity as message.

Most people the song was heard on 'Mission Impossible 2.'

Sister Sledge, composed of siblings Kathie, Joni, Kim and Debbie—did back-up vocals for other artists before they came out with their first album. "We Are Family" was written and produced by Bernard Edwards and Nile Rodgers. [illegible] "Le Freak."

The group performs at the Araneta Coliseum, Quezon City on July 1 in the show "Retro Blasts: Village People and Sister Sledge Live in Manila." Call 632-9020 to 27 or 911-5555.



SISTER Sledge

AN AMERICAN HAUNTING: BASED ON THE BELL WITCH LEGEND



The haunting events reported to have occurred at Adams, Station between 1817 and 1820 are far more dramatic and terrifying than any comparable demonic stories like THE EXORCIST, THE AMITYVILLE HORROR or THE EXORCISM OF EMILY ROSE.

An entity identified as Kate is said to have freely spoke with numerous people and to have killed John Bell and haunted his family to no end. Betsy, John's daughter suffered the most through physical abuse by having her hair pulled and getting slapped and pinched to the point that her face and arms were covered with welts and bruises.

U.S. President Andrew Jackson also reported to have challenged Kate and to have retreated out of fear. Commenting: "I would rather fight the entire British army single handed than face the Bell Witch again!"

The Bell Witch Legend, as the phenomenon has become known, has remained relatively obscure, except to residents of Middle Tennessee, until the spectacular success of the recent and [illegible] movie THE BLAIR WITCH PROJECT provided it with a level of notoriety. [illegible]

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The problem with . . .

with a small group of friends and enjoying some privacy?

What is privacy (laughter)?

What do you do during the rare times that you are by yourself?

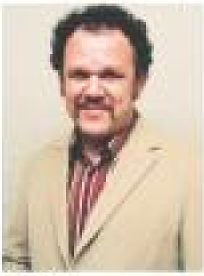
It's funny because as I grow older in this business, I notice how lonely it can get to spend time straight [illegible]

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LILY Tomlin

[illegible]



JOHN C. Reilly

[illegible]



VIRGINIA Madsen

[illegible]

E-mail the columnist at [illegible]


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Sa lahat ng nakitawa at nakisaya,
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Six amazing years! That's how long Talk 'N Text has been providing Pinoys of all ages with super mega-ling services. To celebrate their 6th year anniversary, Talk 'N Text has been holding the Talk 'N Text AnniverSAYA in six different venues across the country! From Cagayan de Oro to Cebu, Naga to La Union and Antipolo, the final leg of the AnniverSAYA celebration was held in SM City Sucat! A fun-filled day of games and activities culminated with a variety show in the evening, and not even a sudden burst of rain could dampen the festivities. Here's looking forward to even better years ahead for Talk 'N Text!
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Sunday Biz



Ex-addict gets new high with Japanese snack

Man who tried to kill himself thrice got P40,000 from friends to start a new life

GENERAL SANTOS CITY—Hooked on drugs, financially broke, and left by his wife, Edgino Bagayong II attempted to commit suicide thrice.

That was eight years ago.





SWUP IT... SWUP IT

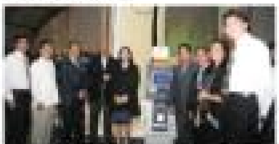
PLDT's Launch of Sh... Sets the New B...

























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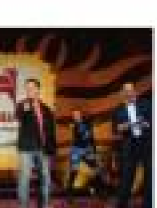
















Sunday Biz

Candles light up two Tarlac families' lives



THE MARTINEZ family recycles melted wax collected from cemeteries to produce sturdy and functional pillar and votive candles for mass market.

Text & photos by Russell Arador
PDI Central Luzon Bureau



ARCHITECT Randy Tabuena believes that candle making is an art form.

Slipping into a comfy venture on the ground

By Juan V. Sarmiento Jr.





Passing vehicles inspire dropout in Benguet to entrepreneurship

By Delmar Cariño
PDI Northern Luzon Bureau



CODEO builds a truck model while the real truck passes by his back along Halsema Highway.

Sunday LifeStyle



RAJO Laurel



RHETT Eala

Boogie nights

Bench's underwear show pays tribute to the disco era

By Alex Y. Vergara

WITH THE COUNTDOWN to "Bench Fever" less than three weeks away, the fashion designers and stylists behind the show are anxiously putting the finishing touches to their segments in the show.

"Bench Fever" is, of course, the underwear extravaganza and denim show mounted every other year by leading local fashion label Bench. Well, 2006 being "that other year," the much-awaited show is slated for June 30 at the Araneta Coliseum in Cubao, QC.

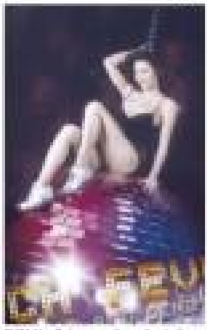
As in past shows, there will be plenty of scantily clad celebrities and models who will raise the (especially public's) temperatures.

For the first time, however, the country's leading RTW brand is tapping a gaggle of creative minds to style various looks inspired by the disco era—from "Saturday Night Fever" and Studio 54 to Olivia Newton-John's "Physical" and Madonna's "Confessions on a Dance Floor."

Bench used to hire a group of low-profile but creative stylists to do the show. But not anymore. For the first time, too, Bobby Carranza will be sitting on the director's chair once occupied by Ariel Lozada.

Among the designers who'll spice up the show are Rajo Laurel, Randy Ortiz and Rhett Eala. Besides the 3R's, Joey Samson and Shanghai-based [illegible] have also reportedly signed up, as have a few other fashionistas.

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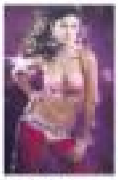


RUFA Mae Quinto, one of sexy disco ladies



RANDY Ortiz





BIANCA King



RAJO Laurel's [illegible] suite is themed on stripes and [illegible]

Boogie nights

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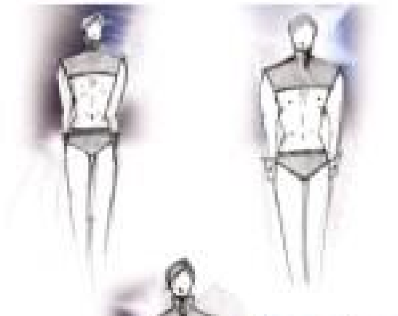
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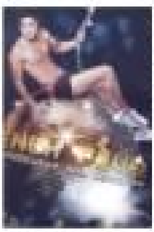
FRANCINE Prieto





RANDY Ortiz





ZANJOE Marudo

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Disco daze

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RANDY Ortiz [illegible]

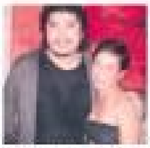
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RAFAEL Rosell

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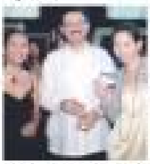

A yoga-guided, purpose-driven life

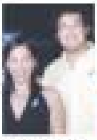
Impressive silver anniversary

Exclusive club







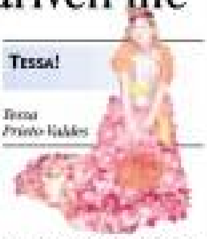
To help uplift the lives of others without expecting anything in return is a good New Year's resolution to make—even in June



A yoga-guided, purpose-driven life

TESSA!

Tessa Prieto-Valdes



AS THE MONTH OF JUNE—the midpoint of the year—kicks in, I wonder how many of my New Year's resolutions have been kept. Age must be creeping in because I seem to have difficulty remembering whether I even drew up a list, or if I bothered to mentally make any promises to myself.





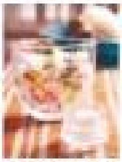
Sunday LifeStyle Home

LABABO [illegible]



Spadework in your home

WHETHER IN THE form of a bag, a vase, or a pillow, accents define an individual's personality," says Kate Spade. "And what could be more personal than what someone puts in their home?"



The Kate Spade home accessories are manufactured by Lenox, the creator of the first American china used in the White House.

The Kate Spade Home Collection includes a line of crystal giftware such as vases, bowls, vases and votives, and silver-plated gift pieces such as frames, candle holders and trays.

The vases are crafted from full lead crystal and glass; they range from 6-12 inches tall. The frames have very intricate designs, such as delicate etched patterns.

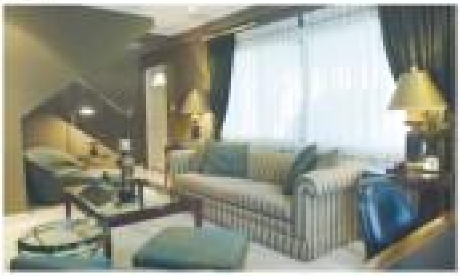
Kate Spade is exclusively distributed by Store Specialists Inc. at Greenbelt 3, Power Plant Mall and Shangri-La Plaza.

The pictorial was shot at the The Residences. Model units are available for viewing at the [illegible], Greenbelt 3. Call [illegible] or visit [illegible]









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THE LIVING AREA.

A family s… at road…



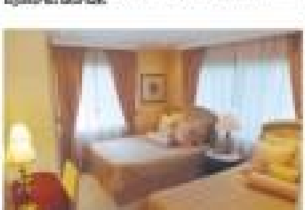
SOFT GLOW.

Subtle details

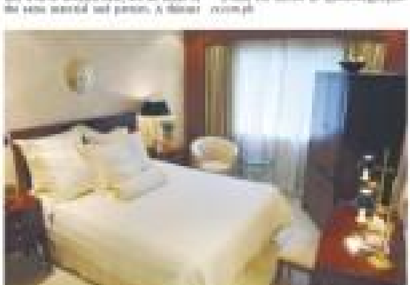
Shimmering effect



IN THEIR ELEMENTS.



THE GIRLS' ROOM.



THE MASTER'S BEDROOM.





ALL THAT GLITTER IS NOT GOLD. Brass railing, glass tops, mirrors, bronze, gold leaf work together to bring that sparkle to this room.

urprise d's end

A nondescript boxlike structure from Subic's military past becomes an elegant hideaway



CHEF'S DOMAIN. Interesting kitchen accessories and appliances such as the Philippe Starck juicer and Alessi kettle and vase give this almost bare room a very sleek and stylish appeal.

A trail of faith paved by roses



Marian and other holy images suddenly appear on rose petals used in healing sessions in a Catholic shrine in Bulacan





Mother of sacraments

Conversion





The Fashion Czar of Asia is once more off to the US capital to showcase a dazzling 120-piece collection

Pitoy goes to Washington

ON JUNE 17, PITOY Moreno's clothes once again will make a voyage, this time to Washington DC, upon the invitation of Philippine Ambassador Albert del Rosario.

"They not only highlights the best in Philippine fashion, fabric and design, he is also world-class and has been acclaimed with applause and bravos in more fashion



THE CLAN, from the anniversary couple down to the toddlers and babies of the fourth generation, pose for posterity after the church ceremony marking the couple's 74th wedding anniversary at the INC Central Temple.

74 years, 27,000 days, one love

Buenaventura Mojica Lopez and Juana Cruceno Umali, one year shy of their diamond wedding anniversary, have a surfeit of reasons to celebrate their union in style



THE CELEBRATING couple, Juana Umali, and Buenaventura Lopez



DAUGHTER Remedios Reyno..., son Ramon Lopez, Juana and Buenaventura Lopez, Rev. Alfredo Lim

"TAKE YOUR WEDDING vows to heart, live simply and together face all the challenges of a married life with courage, praying at every turn to be sure God is on your side."

In good, bad times

Again and again, I do

Happily intact

Songs and dances

Painter testifies to miraculous help

Prayer room

Help for farmers

PURELY PERSONAL

Josephine Darang



Blessed Teresa

Helpful people

Concert

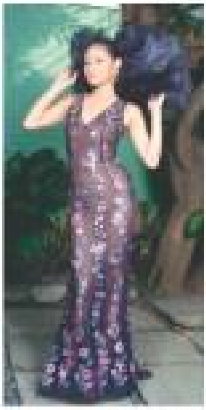
30 years



MORENO with Binibining Pilipinas International 2004 Maxi Bayot in a black-and-white modern Maria Clara ensemble, [illegible]



PHILIPPINE Ambassador to the United States Albert del Rosario [illegible] of Philippine culture and fashion.



MISS International 2005 Precious Lara Quigaman [illegible] feather headdress.

Pitoy goes to Washington

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capitals of the world," says Del Rosario. [illegible]

The 1 hour and 30 minute show will be held at the posh Ritz Carlton, [illegible]

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A MIX of the finest piña and various fabrics make up this pink [illegible]



HAND PAINTED blouse over a black fitted gown

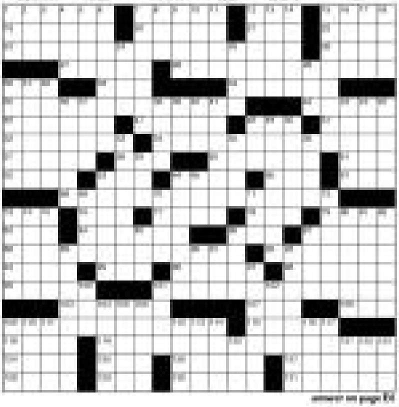


MANILA'S most dashing male models in Pitoy's [illegible]

SUNDAY CROSSWORD

PREMIER CROSSWORD / By Frank A. Longo — **SIGHTINGS**

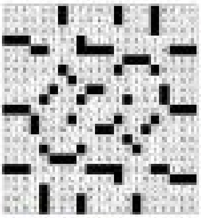
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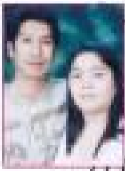


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ANSWER TO SUNDAY CROSSWORD

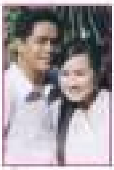






Milestones

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GUILLEN-CELON

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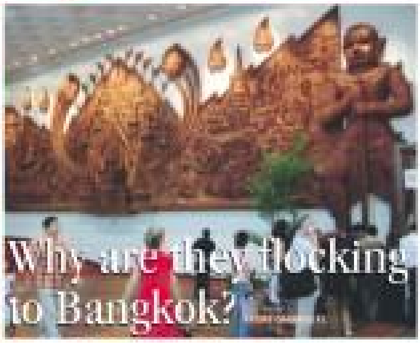
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Sunday LifeStyle Travel

Father knows best

For an upcoming story in the Sunday Lifestyle section, tell us in 150 words or less what's the best thing you've learned from your father. Deadline is June 14. E-mail to dad2reader@inquirer.com.ph. Or you can mail to PDI Lifestyle Section, PO Box 2353, Makati Central Post Office, 1263 Makati City, attn: Dad to Reader. Include your full name, address and phone numbers.





GRAND Palace complex by Chao Phraya River

It's infernal weather—but why are they flocking to Bangkok?



STAFF manning the Philippine booth at the wellness exhibition



WOW Philippines booth



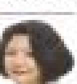
WOMAN prepares delicacies



Supatra River House

Tuition hike puts her dream on hold

Emily's Post



Emily A. Marcelo

June 12 is when the Thai capital holds one of its grandest events—the Royal Barge Procession, to celebrate the 60th anniversary of King Bhumibol's accession to the throne



ENTRANCE to exhibit hall of Queen Sirikit National Convention Center

Biggest seller



QUAINT fountain graces visitors to the Suparo River House.

Healthy Bones Crusade

Anlene Bone Health Check Marathon attended by celebrities fit to the bones





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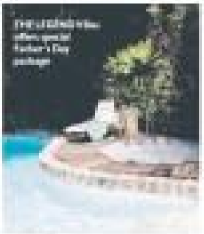
MEMBERS of the Tipuso Band of Palawan's Magsaysay ... performs during the Baragatan Festival's ...

Palawan holds Baragatan Festival

More Pinoys visiting Singapore

Emirates launches Nagoya route

Father's Day package



Travel-friendly gadgets

